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FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1882.

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REPORT

OF THE

OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF LEMPSTER

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1ST, 1882.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Town of Lempster in account with the Selectmen for 1881-82.

Cash in the hands of the Treasurer	March	
1st 1881,		\$1,385 74
Last annual assessment,		3,580 37
Remaining on tax bill of 1880,		342 66
“ “ “ 1875,		36 09
Received of County for support of County		
paupers,		251 84
Received Savings Bank tax for 1881,		432 93
Literary fund for 1881,		33 54
Rent of school land,		14 16
Interest on tax bill of 1880,		13 13
“ “ “ 1881,		2 91
Received of State for bounty,		5 40
		<hr/> \$6,098 77

EXPENDITURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1ST, 1882.

TOWN OFFICERS.

L. A. Purmort, services as Auditor,	\$2 00
Hiram Parker, " "	2 00
Wm. C. Sabine, " Selectman,	55 00
A. J. Parker, " "	39 00
F. C. Carey, " "	28 00
Charles F. Carr, " Overseer of Poor,	16 00
L. B. Allen, " Treasurer,	20 00
F. C. Parker, " S. S. Committee,	35 00
Geo. W. Hurd, " Collector,	35 00
H. L. Thompson, " Town Clerk,	25 00
Wm. T. Thissell, " Supervisor,	6 00
A. F. Perley, " "	3 00
Albert Noyes, " "	2 50
George E. Perley, " Moderator,	2 00
	<hr/> \$270 50

FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

District No. 1, J. A. Evans,	\$95 19
" 2, A. B. George,	76 85
" 3, Willson M. Thompson,	73 40
" 4, Charles W. Tandy,	63 36
" 5, Martha F. Richardson,	58 22
" 6, Abraham Nichols,	33 35
" 7, H. E. Huntley,	79 71
" 8, Wm. F. Welch,	83 07
" 9, C. M. Dodge,	48 57
Wm. A. Morrison and D. B. Wheeler, school tax paid to Acworth,	4 39
	<hr/> \$616 11

DAMAGE BY DOGS.

Paid Levi W. Trow,	\$3 00
Matilda Plummer,	3 00
Wm. T. Thissell,	15 00
Geo. L. Huntley,	6 00
	<hr/> \$27 00

SUPPORT OF COUNTY PAUPERS.

Paid Charles F. Carr, support of County paupers, \$251 84

SUPPORT OF TOWN PAUPERS.

Paid E. C. Scales, board of E. Nichols and wife,	\$21 00
A. B. Sabine, " " "	59 57
Wm. A. Scales, " " "	39 00
Caroline Gile, " " "	37 28
Dr. F. P. Jones, medical attendance,	12 00
Carlton Hurd, for morphine,	6 30
J. M. Fay, for shoes for E. Nichols,	1 50
Nettie Allen, repairing dresses,	2 40
A. B. Sabine, for snuff,	44
H. & F. C. Parker, goods for E. Nichols and wife,	1 13
	<hr/> \$180 62

NOTES TAKEN UP AND ENDORSEMENTS.

Paid Alfred Davis, note taken up,	\$191 80
L. A. Purmort, " "	156 46
Ephram Jennings, " "	115 30
Emily Eaton, endorsement,	12 00
Sam'l Blanchard, " "	700 00
Universalist Society,	36 81
Esther Booth,	63 00
	<hr/> \$1,275 37

PLANK AND LABOR ON HIGHWAY.

Paid Charles W. Tandy, labor on highway,	\$1 40
" " 3183 feet of plank and lumber,	28 64
Charles W. Tandy, 692 feet of plank,	6 23
Geo. H. Moore, 832 feet of plank and lumber, and work on highway,	18 49
J. L. Tandy, labor on bridge,	13 00
E. R. Brude, 1142 feet of plank and lumber, 7 1-2 days labor on highway,	20 42
Phineas Richardson, 71 1-3 hours labor on highway,	8 56
C. A. Metcalf, labor on highway,	8 72
I. H. Hodgman, 116 hours labor on highway,	13 92

Wm. F. Bellows, 3 days labor on highway,	\$4 25	
Keyes Brothers, 426 feet of plank,	3 84	
Charles Putnam, 3438 feet of plank and lumber, and labor on highway,	32 93	
John Wheeler, lumber and labor on highway,	5 53	
James F. Moore, 430 feet of plank and 5 lbs. of spikes,	3 64	
	<hr/>	\$169 57

BREAKING ROADS WINTER OF 1880-1.

Paid H. D. Nichols, surveyor, 10 cts. per hour,	\$16 00	
Wm. T. Thissell, " " "	4 00	
Geo. L. Huntley, " "	5 40	
R. G. Howe, " "	6 20	
Arthur Cunningham, " "	4 10	
R. D. Cunningham, " "	2 60	
	<hr/>	\$38 30

BREAKING ROADS WINTER OF 1881-2.

Paid E. C. Scales, Surveyor,	\$11 35	
Phineas Richardson, "	7 25	
Simeon Sears, " "	8 75	
R. G. Howe, " "	11 80	
J. L. Webster, " "	4 20	
I. H. Hodgman, " "	10 50	
C. A. Metcalf, " "	7 65	
L. Ashton Honug, " "	1 80	
Ezra Miller, " "	1 00	
Elias B. Abbott, " "	8 60	
Geo. H. Baker, " "	5 30	
T. M. Scranton, " "	9 70	
A. G. Baker, " "	6 20	
J. H. Huntley, " "	2 15	
Henry Walker, " "	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$104 25

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Abatement on bill of 1881,	\$37 54	
" " 1880,	10 10	
" " 1875,	8 02	
	<hr/>	\$55 66

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid L. W. Barton, counsel in the Spaulding case,	\$ 20 25
L. W. Barton, counsel in the road case,	74 00
R. P. Claggett, serving notice and writ,	10 32
F. W. Cheney, printing town report,	15 00
E. C. Scales, clearing snow from highway in the Spring of 1881,	7 95
A. E. Hitchcock, damage on the highway,	7 50
E. C. Eastman, books for use of the town,	1 88
Wm. C. Sabine, expenses of Selectmen while taking invoice and making taxes,	7 50
G. H. H. Sislsby, books for use of the town,	3 00
E. R. Brude, for building 28 rods road,	100 00
“ “ watering tub,	3 00
Rufus P. Claggett, execution against the town,	198 07
C. M. Dodge, school-house tax in district No. 9,	10 00
Geo. W. Town, services as sexton,	23 00
J. H. Bakin, going with hearse,	10 00
C. R. Jones, tolling bell and care of town-house,	9 00
Lemuel Miller, tolling bell,	1 75
A. J. Parker, horse and carriage twice to Claremont and once to Newport,	4 50
L. B. Allen, mowing burying-yard,	3 00
L. A. Noyes, damage on highway,	10 00
Wm. Welch, going for lumber,	75
Wm. E. Way, 2 cords of wood, sawing same and putting under town-house,	8 00
Wm. E. Way, oil and goods furnished town-house,	3 50
Fred C. Parker, books furnished indigent children,	3 35
L. B. Allen, 6 months interest on \$125.	3 75
Geo. W. Hurd, tax bill, postage, etc.,	3 11
Wm. C. Sabine, expenses to pay State tax,	4 00
“ incidental expenses of the Selectmen,	8 67
J. G. Robinson, entertainment of town-officers,	5 50

L. B. Allen, for bounty on hawks, and crows,	\$4 50
Non-resident highway receipts for 1881,	76 93
State tax for 1881,	552 00
County " "	576 10
Remaining on tax bill of 1881,	455 90
	<hr/> \$2,225 78

The Selectmen and Treasurer charge them- selves with the receipts of	\$6,098 77
The disbursements amount to	5,215 00
Leaving a balance in hands of Treasurer,	<hr/> \$883 77

NOTES AGAINST THE TOWN OF LEMPSTER.

March 1st, 1882.

Marietta Blanchard,	\$ 171 50
Stephen Allen,	236 55
Samuel Blanchard,	2,461 08
Ianthia Nichols,	998 03
" "	200 00
Emily Eaton,	300 00
Esther Booth,	625 00
Universalist Society,	1,020 89
A. J. Parker,	151 18
R. G. Dodge,	800 00
Alden Carey,	300 00
Henry Walker,	267 54
	<hr/> \$7,531 77
Interest on the above notes March 1st, 1882,	559 37
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Amount of notes and interest,	\$8,091 14

ASSETS.

Cash in hands of Treasurer, March 1st, '82,	\$883 77
Due on tax bill of 1881,	455 90
rent on school land,	9 50
from State for bounty,	4 50
Endorsements on notes,	836 81
	<hr/> \$2,190 48
Amount of outstanding notes and interest,	\$8,091 14
Assets,	2,190 48
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Balance against the town,	\$5,900 66

Indebtedness of the town, March 1st, 1881.	\$6,469 71
“ “ “ 1882,	5,900 66
Reduction of the debt,	<hr/> \$569 05

WM. C. SABINE,	} Selectmen of Lempster.
ANDREW J. PARKER,	
FRANCIS C. CAREY,	

We, the undersigned, Auditors for the Town of Lempster, have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer and find them properly vouched, correctly cast, and the records kept in a business-like manner.

L. A. PURMORT,	} Auditors.
HIRAM PARKER,	

LEMPSTER, March 1st, 1882.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1ST, 1882.

The Superintending School Committee submits the following report :

All the schools in the town for the past year have, in the main, been successful, and the districts are to be congratulated upon the advancement made during the year.

There has been no material change in any district since our last reports. Everyone seems to be content to move along in the same "old ruts," year in and year out, never dreaming it would be money well expended to purchase a few simple, yet so necessary, things, like dictionaries, globes and wall-maps, for our school rooms. These articles we mentioned in our last report as being necessary, and *we did* have a faint hope (?) that perhaps one or two districts might buy a part at least of the articles mentioned.

It is a fact that our schools are growing fewer in number as the years advance, and we again suggest the uniting of districts. It can be accomplished with very little trouble, and then we should have schools of which we could justly be proud. It is of the highest importance that good teachers be secured, not only for the more advanced scholars, but also for those who are just beginning : for the teacher who can teach children their

A B C's is indeed as successful and competent as those who can explain "cube root" *intelligently*.

Prudential Committees must needs be cautious in their selection of teachers, and secure those adapted to their particular school.

We believe it would be vastly better for all concerned if one man could hire all the teachers for the schools of the town, and give schools to them according to their adaptability and qualifications.

We would call the attention of parents to the necessity of constant attendance. No teacher, no matter how good, can secure so good results without the pupils attend school regularly and promptly.

A new spelling book was introduced into the schools of the town with good success, and was generally approved by the majority; but, as a natural consequence, was looked upon as entirely unnecessary by those who believe there is nothing like "the good old times and customs of our fathers."

Some of the school houses need a little repairing, and to be ventilated at the *top* of the room rather than at the *bottom*. This is necessary to the health of the scholars, which all districts should consider as paramount to all things else in their annual meeting.

DISTRICT REPORTS.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

The summer term was taught by Mrs. F. C. Parker, and the winter term by Miss Attie S. Marshall—both of whom have

had considerable experience in teaching. A good year's work was accomplished, and all are to be congratulated on the success which attended the year's work.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Mrs. Louisa Jameson taught the summer term with good results. Miss Cora Baker taught the winter school. The school was not all that could be desired. We think the teacher did not exercise quite discretion enough in her government of the scholars, although well qualified in scholarship.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Miss May Perley taught both terms of the year. A good school and marked improvement was the result of the year.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Miss Addie Fletcher of Marlow taught the summer term in this district. This was Miss Fletcher's first term, and she truly did well. In the winter the services of Miss Jennie Polly, an experienced teacher, were secured. Good progress was made in both terms, and all were satisfied.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Miss Emma Hill taught in the summer, and Mrs. Laura Hawkins in the winter. We were pleased with the year's work.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

In this district there is only one term during the year. A fall term was taught by Mrs. Hattie Nichols. Your Committee was unable to visit this school, but the teacher reported a successful term.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

This district was fortunate in securing the services of Miss Mary E. Davis of Marlow for the summer, and Miss Jennie Perley for the winter. This is one of the best schools in town.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

District No. 8 had two excellent schools, the summer term being taught by Miss Nellie Keyes, and the winter term by Miss Cora F. Sabine. Both teachers did remarkably well. The scholars are inclined to be rather heedless of their duties, and that promptness and ambitiousness was not observed to the extent it was in some other schools.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

This district secured the services of Mrs. Hattie Nichols for both terms. Good results and commendable progress attended her work.

Although the town failed to raise any money for a fall term of school, yet those who knew how much such a school had benefitted the town in the past, rallied and obtained money enough by subscription to secure the services of Mrs. J. L. Harrison, for a term of ten weeks. Your Committee was present at the examination of the school, and we certainly are confident it was effort and money well expended. Mrs. Harrison is truly a superior teacher, and especially so with young scholars, of which her school principally consisted. We hope that in the future we may have a "High School" of some kind, so that the town may continue to educate its own scholars, and furnish its own teachers, which is to be desired, considered from any standpoint.

Now, in closing this report to the good people of Lempster, we wish to extend our thanks to all the teachers and parents for their co-operation in our endeavors for the welfare of the schools of our town, and for the advancement of education generally.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

FRED C. PARKER,

S. S. Committee.

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